



DCMM Newsletter

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Snow Tubing at Liberty Mountain Resort—February 24th

Just because it's cold out doesn't mean we can't have fun! We will be having a Snow Tubing event at Boulder Ridge Snow Tubing, Liberty Mountain Resort & Conference Center, Carroll Valley, PA.

<http://www.skiliberty.com/lmr/index.aspx>

We will meet at the Starbucks at 899 W 7th St, Frederick, MD at 9am. We will depart at 9:15 to motor through the hills and twisties of Thurmont and Cunningham Falls State Park with an arrival time of 11am. We will be snow tubing from 12pm to 2pm and then lunch will be served from 2pm to 3pm. The cost is \$32 which includes 2 hours of prime-time tubing, tube rental and lunch (pizza and snacks) in the private party room @ Pebble Ridge. Please be sure to bring *cash*. It's fun for the entire family! From the kids ages 5 and up to the grandparents, this is an inexpensive, fun way to pass the winter days. There's even a separate kiddie tubing hill for children 4 and under.

Please be sure to RSVP on the Calendar!

<http://www.northamericanmotoring.com/forums/calendar.php?do=getinfo&e=670&day=2008-2-24&c=5>

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A big thank you to Katie (Kdgbu) and Paul for hosting a great event! Lots of great food, gifts, MINIs and MINI owners. I think we managed to squeeze 12 MINIs into Katie's driveway. Can't wait for next year!



DCMM Annual Meeting

Save the Date!

The DCMM Annual Meeting will be held on March 15th at Funktion Auto. Details will be posted on NAM and in the March Newsletter.

Congratulations to MNEEME winner of the 2nd DCMM Photo Contest! The theme was “MINI Night Out”



The next Photo Contest theme is “My MINI”. The deadline for submission is February 12th @ 12pm.

How to enter

Entries must be submitted to Maxicooper via email at DCmetroMINI@aol.com with the subject line reading “DCMM Photo Contest”. When you upload your image you must include a topic of the contest, your name and image's caption.



Cabin Fever Run and Brunch

On Sunday, January 13th, Bill (Wolf617) organized the Cabin Fever Run and Brunch. 15 MINIs came out to enjoy the beautiful scenery of Baltimore County. We ended the run at the Mountain Branch Golf Course where we enjoyed a tasty brunch.





**Hi DC Metro MINI Club Members !
I'm Wensleydale and I've been picked to be
"MINI of the month " Weeeeeee !**

I was born in Oxford, England in October of 2006, my kit was fitted with the Premium package that includes the moon roof, auto climate control, multi-function wheel and on-board computer. I received 17" S-lite wheels, front and rear fog lamps, six-speed gearbox and a center console. All these goodies wrapped up in a splendid Space Blue and Silver Metallic paint job with silver bonnet stripe !

Though the management insisted I receive my teachings from one of the stellar universities in town. The lads at the factory knew better and took me "down the pub" to educate me on the finest of ales, football (*Go Oxford United !*) and pub grub. They took me out on the country roads and told me the tales of John Cooper, Jim Clark, and Nigel Mansell. They bestowed upon me the importance of cornering and braking rather than just turning left or going in a straight line as the Americans tend to do.....oh, I'm headed to the States ?

My Daddy picked me up on 14 November, 2006 at Tate MINI in Annapolis. The really nice sales lady walked him through all of my bells and whistles and insisted that he be easy on me for the first 1500 miles. So with a tear of pride in Daddy's eye, we set off to go show me off to Mummy. Her first words were "she's so cute !" she must have a name ! Little did Mummy know that Daddy had already come up with my name.

It turns out that there is this odd fellow that lives at 62 West Wallaby Street, Wigan, Lancs. back home in England. His name is Wallace and he has a faithful mutt known as Gromit. An absent minded inventor, he and his hound are very passionate cheese lovers, in particular the crumbly tart "Wensleydale" from North Yorkshire. Their interest in cheese has even taken them to the moon for a tasty cracker topper. Mummy and Daddy have been big fans of the Wallace and Gromit series and Daddy said I was "sophisticated yet cheesy in a wonderful sort of way" and so my name stuck !

Even though my tuner is stuck on BBC1, My favorite songs on CD are:

Vapor Trail and Squint Mix by Crystal Method

Perfidia, Outta Limits and University Blvd by Los Straitjackets

Penetration and Walk Don't Run by the Ventures

Spirit of Radio and Lakeside Park by Rush

In the spring of 2007, we went on our first DCMM run "MINIs by the Bay" and what fun it was ! Its soooo nice to be reunited with my family and friends ! We look forward to many more !



February 2008 Calendar of Events

February 9th—Gaithersburg Java Run

February 16th—Monthly Breakfast at MINI of Towson

February 24th—Snow Tubing

Join DCMM on NAM ASAP!

DC Metro MINIs (DCMM) has long been considered a successful MINI organization due to the amazing amount of active participants in the club's varying activities. However, the fun doesn't have to stop with the monthly breakfasts, coffee socials or with the occasional MINI runs hosted by our members. What a lot of DCMM members don't know is that DCMM also has a very active and vibrant online presence in the chat forums on the North American Motoring' (NAM) website. With the free and easy membership you can get to know hundreds of other DCMM members while joining in on interesting conversations about all things MINI with other owners from around the world. Every single day new topics are being posted ranging from where to get good tires, how to mod your MINI, upcoming events and even the best place to get good ice cream. The community is active, friendly, free and open to all. Stop in and browse and you'll be sure to find a conversation you can't resist joining in on.

All you need to do is to go to <http://www.northamericanmotoring.com/forums/forumdisplay.php?f=85> to find DCMM on NAM.

To register, locate the "Register Now!" link just under the log-in section in the upper right of the webpage and follow their standard registration procedure. All you need is an active email address, a password and your creativity for coming up with a unique screen name. After a couple of verification emails you'll receive notice that you can log-in at any time.

Congratulations! You're now part of the DCMM on NAM community!

When you get online, feel free to PM (private message) me and say hello. My name is Glenn but in the forums they call me "MrMellowYellow".

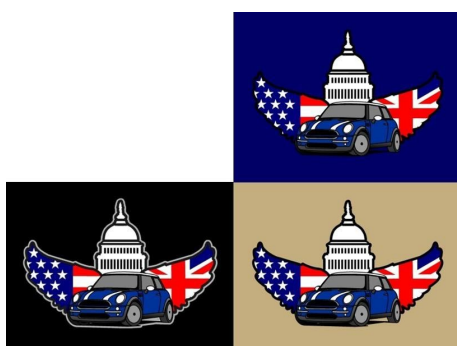
Hope to hear from some new faces soon!

Glenn (MrMellowYellow)

Get Your DCMM Hats!

It's time for the next DCMM product... HATS! They will be non-structured baseball style caps and will be available in your choice of black, navy blue or tan. They are \$30 per hat and that includes any shipping charges. There will be a modified DCMM logo on the front, "DC Metro MINIs" will be on the back over the opening and your NAM name (or name of your choice) on the driver (left) side of the hat.

The deadline for ordering is February 29th, so be sure to order soon!



To order, go to the DCMM website http://dcmtriminis.org/?page_id=50

